



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 303

LCO No. 1960



Referred to Committee on COMMERCE

Introduced by:
(CE)

AN ACT CONCERNING AN ENTREPRENEUR LEARNER'S PERMIT PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2016*) (a) The Department of
2 Economic and Community Development, through its Office of Small
3 Business Affairs established pursuant to section 32-9n of the general
4 statutes, shall develop and implement an Entrepreneur Learner's
5 Permit program to assist individuals seeking to form new businesses
6 in the state. Under said program, the Office of Small Business Affairs
7 shall issue Entrepreneur Learner's Permits, which shall provide the
8 holder of such permit with a waiver of any state or municipal filing,
9 permitting or licensing fees associated with the formation of a new
10 business in the state. An Entrepreneur Learner's Permit shall be valid
11 for not more than two years following its date of issuance.

12 (b) The department shall not award an Entrepreneur Learner's
13 Permit to any individual who (1) has previously received an
14 Entrepreneur Learner's Permit, or (2) is or has been a principal of any
15 business formed in connection with an Entrepreneur Learner's Permit.

- 16 (c) The department shall reimburse a municipality for the value of
17 any municipal filing, permitting or licensing fees waived for holders of
18 Entrepreneur Learner's Permits.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2016</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To establish an Entrepreneur Learner's Permit program that provides permits to new entrepreneurs that, for two years from the issuance of such permit, waive any state or municipal filing, licensing or permitting fees associated with starting a new business.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]